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## Introductory Comments

By operation of the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-cited patent application, Applicants wish to continue examination of this case before the Office. In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, please enter the amendments to the claims submitted herewith. In addition, please consider the Remarks on pages 3 and 4 of this document.